

and infrastructure as the primary committee and in addition to the Committee on the Budget.

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**Maritime Security:** House passed H.R. 1350, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to revitalize the United States-flag merchant marine.

Pages H14062–78

Agreed To:

The Bateman amendment, as modified, made in order by the rule; and

Pages H14070–75

The Bateman amendment that provides that the Secretary shall accept applications for enrollment of vessels in the fleet no later than 30 days after enactment.

Pages H14075–76

H. Res. 287, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Agreed to the Quillen amendment that provided 20 minutes instead of 10 minutes of debate on the amendment made in order by the rule.

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**Commerce-State-Justice Appropriations:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 256 yeas to 166 nays, Roll No. 841, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2076, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages H14087–H14112

By a yea-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 231 nays, Roll No. 840, rejected the Skaggs motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions that within the scope of the differences committed to them, the House conferees insist that the funds intended for community policing block grants be provided instead for the COPS Program.

Pages H14111–12

H. Res. 289, the rule which waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H14078–87

**Presidential Veto Message—Budget Reconciliation:** Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996; and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–141).

Pages H14136–37

Agreed to the Kolbe motion to refer the veto message and the bill accompanying bill to the Committee on the Budget.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that the House will meet at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 7.

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**Presidential Message—Export Licenses:** Read a message from the President wherein he reports he has issued an Executive order to revise the existing

procedures for processing export license applications submitted to the Department of Commerce—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–142).

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H14025.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H14038–39, H14055, H14111–12, and H14112. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### OFFICE OF RISK ASSESSMENT AND COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the USDA's Office of Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Alwynelle Ahl, Director, Office of Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis; and Keith Collins, Chief Economist.

### OVERSIGHT—PACIFIC NORTHWEST POWER SYSTEM

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held an oversight hearing on the Pacific Northwest Power System. Testimony was heard from Randall W. Hardy, Administrator and CEO, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### PARENTS, SCHOOLS, AND VALUES

*Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings on Parents, Schools, and Values. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN: WHAT'S ESSENTIAL?

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Government Shutdown: What's Essential? Testimony was heard from Walter Broadnax, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Dwight Robinson, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Thomas P. Glynn, Deputy Secretary, Department of Labor; George Munoz, Assistant Secretary, Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury; Eugene A. Brickhouse, Assistant Secretary, Human

Resources and Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Shirley A. Chater, Commissioner, SSA; John A. Koskinen, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Christopher H. Schroeder, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; and Allan D. Heuerman, Associate Director, Human Resources Systems Service, OPM.

#### D.C. FISCAL PROTECTION ACT

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on H.R. 2661, District of Columbia Fiscal Protection Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representative Gekas; Edward DeSeve, Controller, OMB; Andrew Brimmer, Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Mayor; Anthony Williams, Chief Financial Officer; Michel Rogers, City Administrator; and Marlene Kelly, Deputy Commissioner for Public Health; and public witnesses.

#### UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD BOSNIA

*Committee on International Relations:* Continued hearings on United States policy toward Bosnia. Testimony was heard from Jeane Kirkpatrick, former Permanent U.S. Representative to the United Nations; John Bolton, former Assistant Secretary, Department of State; and Brent Scowcroft, former National Security Advisor.

The Committee also held a briefing on this subject. The Committee was briefed by Lt. Gen. Rupert Smith, USA, Commander, U.N. Protection Force in Bosnia; Adm. Eugene J. Carroll, USN (Ret.), former Director, Operations for the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command; James Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense; and Richard Perle, former Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; U.S. SECURITY INTERESTS IN SOUTH ASIA

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 274, amended, concerning Burma and the U.N. General Assembly; and H. Con. Res. 117, concerning writer, political philosopher, human rights advocate, and Nobel Peace prize nominee Wei Jingsheng.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on U.S. Security Interests in South Asia. Testimony was heard from Robin L. Raphael, Assistant Secretary, South Asian Affairs, Department of State; Bruce O. Riedel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

#### UNITED STATES GROUND FORCES IN BOSNIA

*Committee on National Security:* Continued hearings on the proposed deployment of United States ground forces to Bosnia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy; and Lt. Gen. H.M. Estes, III, USAF, Director for Operations (J-3), The Joint Staff; and Christopher Hill, Director, Office of South Central European Affairs, Department of State.

#### RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL DISPOSAL

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Research and Development and Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans of the Committee on Resources held a joint hearing on the disposal of radioactive material and other toxic waste in oceans and tributaries. Testimony was heard from Ambassador David A. Colson, Acting Assistant Secretary, Oceans, International Environment, Department of State; from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Environmental Security; and RAdm. Marc Pelaez, USN, Chief, Naval Research, Department of the Navy; Lawrence K. Gershwin, National Intelligence Council, CIA; Philip Valant, Naval Research Laboratory, John C. Stennis Space Center, NASA; Lewis Nagy, Assistant Commissioner, Policy and Planning, Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

#### CONFERENCE REPORT—VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and against its consideration. The rule further waives points of order against the motion printed in the joint explanatory statement of the committee on conference to dispose of the amendment of the Senate 63. Finally, the rule provides that if the conference report is adopted, then a motion that the House insist on its disagreement to Senate amendment 63 shall be debatable for 1 hour. Testimony was heard from Representative Lewis of California.

#### SUPERFUND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Superfund Research and Development: The Role of R&D in a Reformed

Superfund. Testimony was heard from Robert J. Huggett, Assistant Administrator, Research and Development, EPA; and Lawrence J. Dyckman, Associate Director, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO.

### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct:* Met in executive session to consider pending business.

### CURRENT WELFARE REFORM SUCCESS STORIES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on current welfare reform success stories. Testimony was heard from Carmen Nazario, Secretary, Department of Health and Social Services, State of Delaware; Stephanie Comai-Page, Social Welfare Policy Advisor and Federal Liaison for the Director, Department of Social Services, State of Michigan; Joseph Gallant, Commissioner, Department of Transitional Assistance, State of Massachusetts; Edward L. Schilling, Director, Fond du Lac County, Department of Social Services, Fond du Lac, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

#### TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPETITION AND DEREGULATION ACT

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 652, to provide for a pro-competitive, de-regulatory national policy framework designed to accelerate rapidly private sector deployment of advanced telecommunications and information technologies and services to all Americans by opening all telecommunications markets to competition, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

#### APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

*Conferees* agreed to file a further conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

#### BOSNIA

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission):* Commission held hearings to examine the documentation of crimes against humanity in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia, receiving testimony from David Rohde, Christian Science Monitor, Boston, Massachusetts; Barbara C. Wolf, Albany, New York, on behalf of AmeriCares; and

Ivan Lupis, Human Rights Watch/Helsinki, New York, New York.

Commission recessed subject to call.

### BILLS VETOED

H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996. (Vetoed December 6, 1995).

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* to hold hearings on S. 94, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to prohibit the consideration of retroactive tax increases, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration,* to hold hearings to examine how to manage Senate technology in the information age, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters,* business meeting, to consider the issuance of subpoenas of certain documents, 11 a.m., SH-216.

#### NOTICE

For a Listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see page E2303 in today's Record.

#### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Resource Conservation, Research, and Forestry, hearing on the status of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac) and H.R. 2130, Farmer Mac Reform Act of 1995, 12:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to mark up H.R. 2627, Smithsonian Institution Sesqui-centennial Commemorative Coin Act of 1995, 1 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* hearing on Democracy, Rule of Law and Police Training Assistance, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 2604, Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 2128, Equal Opportunity Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 2511, Anticounterfeiting Consumer Protection Act of 1995, 10 a.m., B-352 Rayburn.